



RICK SNYDER  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

JAMIE CLOVER ADAMS  
DIRECTOR

**DATE:** September 30, 2014

**TO:** Honorable Mike Green  
Honorable Phil Potvin

**FROM:** Derek Bajema, Legislative Liaison

**SUBJECT:** FY 2014 County Fairs Capital Improvement Grants

---

In accordance with Public Act 59 of 2013, Section 805 (6), attached is the required report on the County Fair Capital Improvement Grants, as awarded. Deadlines for project outcomes are December 31 therefore, they are not available at this time.

Additional information regarding the purpose of these grants or funding can be directed to Cinda Karlik, at (517) 284-5723.

Attachment

cc: Representative Terry Brown  
Representative Jon Bumstead  
Representative Nancy Jenkins  
Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood  
Senator John Moolenaar  
Jamie Clover Adams, Director, MDARD  
Gordon Wenk, Chief Deputy Director, MDARD  
Jacques McNeely, State Budget Office  
Jennifer Harrison, State Budget Office  
Bruce Baker, Senate Fiscal Agency  
Paul Holland, House Fiscal Agency

**Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development**  
**County Fair Capital Improvement Grants**  
**September 30, 2014**

The department received 50 grant applications requesting more than \$702,000. These applications included over \$2.4 Million in proposed enhancements to the fairgrounds. Of these grant applications 23 were awarded grants. Grant applications were evaluated, scored, and ranked by a Joint Evaluation Committee composed of industry representatives not directly involved in any grant proposals. Grantees were announced in early February. The grants are for the period of February 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. An interim report was due June 1, 2014 and the final report is due February 1, 2015.

<b>FAIR NAME</b>	<b>Grant Project</b>	<b>Total grant proposal</b>	<b>Grant Award</b>	<b>Available Match</b>
Alcona County Fair	Alcona County Fair Pavilion Improvement	\$ 16,100.00	\$ 8,050.00	\$ 8,050.00
Alger County Fair	Electrical Upgrades for the Alger County Fair	\$ 16,600.00	\$ 4,862.50	\$ 4,862.50
Allegan County Agricultural Society	Campground Electrical & Water upgrades	\$ 51,260.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Antrim County Fair	Concession Kitchen Renovation	\$ 7,393.00	\$ 3,196.50	\$ 3,196.50
Berrien County Youth Fair Association	Re-Light Project phase 2	\$ 62,534.19	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Chelsea Community Fair	Onerhead Door for New Cement Approaches/Ramps	\$ 28,857.00	\$ 14,428.50	\$ 7,214.25
Chippewa County Fair	Chippewa County Fair Poultry Barn	\$ 34,289.80	\$ 17,144.90	\$ 17,144.90
Chippewa Cty. Stalwart Agr'l. Fair Assoc.	Covered Show Area	\$ 17,091.75	\$ 8,545.88	\$ 8,545.88
Clare County Agricultural Society	Lavatory Renovations- Clare County Fairgrounds	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,000.00
Gratiot County Fair For Youth	Improving Safety & Accessibility to Provide a Better Fair	\$ 20,580.00	\$ 10,290.00	\$ 5,145.00
Ionia Free Fair Association	Electrical Equipment Replacement	\$ 41,050.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Isabella County Youth & Farm Fair Society	Multi purposes, educational wing attachment to small animal barn	\$ 694,544.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Lenawee County Agricultural Society	Roof Restoration Project- Cattle Barn and Swine Barn	\$ 17,400.00	\$ 8,700.00	\$ 8,700.00
Midland County Agricultural & Horticultural Society	Bath House Renovation Project	\$ 20,610.00	\$ 10,305.00	\$ 5,152.50
Presque Isle County Fair Association	Fairgrounds Electrical Service Enhancement & Expansion Project	\$ 5,050.00	\$ 2,525.00	\$ 2,525.00
Saginaw County Fair	Project Power Camping	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
Shiawassee County Fair	Dog Barn Project	\$ 128,316.59	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
St. Joseph County Grange Fair	Show Arena Roof Project	\$ 43,400.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00

**Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development**  
**County Fair Capital Improvement Grants**  
**September 30, 2014**

Tuscola County Fair	replace the roof on the beef barn	\$ 15,600.00	\$ 3,841.72	\$ 3,841.72
Upper Peninsula State Fair	Rustic Campground Upgrades and Expansion	\$ 54,420.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Van Buren Youth Fair	Remove, Replace & Repair Small Animal Display barns	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Washtenaw County Farm Council	Roof Replacement Project	\$ 23,420.00	\$ 11,710.00	\$ 11,710.00
Wayne County Fair Association, Inc.	Continuation of water supply upgrades	\$ 92,186.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00